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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. CONGO PRIME MINISTER LOUIS SYLVAIN-GOMA VISITED TRIPOLI JULY 21-24. TRIP WAS APPARENTLY AIMED AT PLACING LIBYAN-CONGOLESE ECONOMIC COOPERATION ON FIRMER FOOTING. WHILE MAJOR GOMA HELD BRIEF MEETING WITH QADHAFI, MOST OF HIS TIME WAS TAKEN UP BY TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS WITH LIBYAN "PRIME MINISTER" UBAYDI, AGRICULTURAL SECRETARY TABU, TRADE SECRETARY SHARIF AND OTHER OFFICIALS. ACCORDING TO LOCAL MEDIA, CONGOLESE DELEGATION CONSISTED OF TRADE, ECONOMY, CONSTRUCTION AND ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS. AN OFFICIAL DINNER FOR GOMA WAS HELD EVENING OF HIS ARRIVAL BY ARMED FORCES COMMANDER ABU BAKR YUNIS JABIR.

2. AS IS TRUE FOR MOST VISITS HERE, LITTLE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DISCUSSIONS. LOCAL MEDIA NOTED SIMPLY THAT THEY FOCUSED ON INCREASING
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LEVEL OF COOPERATION IN VARIOUS ECONOMIC FIELDS. THE OPERATIONS OF THE JOINT CONGOLESE-LIBYAN TIMBER COMPANY WERE DISCUSSED IN CONSIDERABLE DETAIL, AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE TO HOLD A MEETING OF THE COMPANY'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL. THE TWO SIDES ALSO DISCUSSED WAYS OF ACCELERATING ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT AGRICULTURAL COMPANY. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT. CONGO-LIBYAN
RELATIONS CONTINUE WITH THEIR NOW CUSTOMARY TIT-FOR-TAT
CORDIALITY. LIBYA IS IMPRESSED WITH CONGO'S SUPPORT
FOR HER POSITIONS IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND IS BELIEVED
TO HAVE DEMONSTRATED THIS SATISFACTION BY MAKING
SUBSTANTIAL MONETARY PAYMENT TO THE CONGO IN JUNE TO
HELP OPANGO OUT OF A BUDGETARY CRISIS. GOMA'S TRIP,
HOWEVER, CONCERNED WITH THE MORE NITTY GRITTY ASPECTS
OF BILATERAL RELATIONS, AND ACCORDING TO AFRICAN DIPLOMATIC
SOURCES HERE, CONGOLESE REGARD TRIP AS RELATIVELY
DISAPPOINTING. LIBYANS WERE FRIENDLY AND BUSINESS-LIKE
BUT NO SIGNIFICANT NEW PROJECTS WERE AGREED UPON. GOMA
MAY HAVE RECEIVED AN ADDITIONAL CHECK TO EASE THE STRAIN
ON THE CONGO'S EXCHEQUER (REFTEL), BUT THE LIBYANS --
IF THEY FOLLOW THEIR USUAL PRACTICE -- WILL TAKE CARE
NOT TO LET THEIR CONGOLESE FRIENDS HAVE ALL OF THE
CARROT AT ONCE.
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